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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: KE, UG, UK, USSR

SUBJECT: KENYAN MISSION EXPECTED IN LONDON TO DISCUSS  
ARMS PURCHASES

1. EMBOFFS INFORMED IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE AT FCO ON  
JULY 17 THAT KENYAN MINISTERIAL DELEGATION EXPECTED IN  
LONDON LATER THIS MONTH OR EARLY IN AUGUST TO DISCUSS  
ARMS PURCHASES. BRITISH NOT YET AWARE OF KENYAN SHOPP-  
ING LIST BUT EXPECT KENYANS WILL BE INTERESTED IN HUNTER  
FIGHTER AIRCRAFT, APC'S AND OTHER COMBAT VEHICLES.  
KENYANS HAVE BEEN CONCERNED FOR SOME TIME OVER SOVIET  
BUILD-UP OF UGANDAN AND SOMALI FORCES AND BRITISH HAVE  
BEEN EXPECTING REQUESTS FOR INCREASED ARMS SUPPLIES.  
EMBOFFS ALSO TOLD BRITISH WOULD CONSIDER REQUESTS  
SYMPATHETICALLY, ALTHOUGH THEY COULD MAKE NO FURTHER  
DECISIONS UNTIL THEY SEE SHOPPING LIST.

2. THE FACT THAT MILITARY SHOPPING MISSION BEING SENT  
TO LONDON INTERPRETED BY BRITISH AS INDICATION THAT  
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MILITARY AND CIVIL SERVANTS HAVE PERSUADED KENYATTA OF

NECESSITY TO DEVOTE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO MILITARY  
EXPENDITURE TO MEET POSSIBLE THREAT RESULTING FROM  
SOVIET BUILD-UP OF SOMALI AND UGANDAN FORCES. BRITISH  
DO NOT HAVE ANY INDICATION OF PLANNED ATTACKS ON KENYA  
FROM EITHER SIDE BUT UNDERSTAND KENYAN CONCERN.

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